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Nazim Hikmet, Turkish Communist poet, who escaped to Rumania in June 1951, has organized a "Democratic Office for the Near and Middle East" in Sofia, Bulgaria, which will have an intelligence as well as a propaganda function. The "Office" is composed of a "Democratic Committee" headed by Hikmet. Members of the Committee are Sidki Tuncu, Torgut Deliorman, and Fahri Ardinci, Turkish journalists who fled from Turkey to the USSR in April 1951. Also in the Committee are Hasan Mustafa and Arif Kudah from Syria, and Arif Tarik from Iraq.

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